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The reply filed on 12/16/2002 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission or matter: The 112 second paragraph rejection of claim 6 was not addressed. As previously stated, it is not clear what is intended by the limitation, "wherein the etching gas composition contains additives for improving etching gas properties..." Does having an improved gas property this mean that the etching gas is; more volatile, or less corrosive, or more stable (less explosive), or less combustible, or less carcinogenic? Or, is an "improved gas property" intended to suggest that one obtains "better" etching results when using an etchant that includes the claimed additive? See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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